

UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT  
EASTERN DISTRICT OF MICHIGAN  
SOUTHERN DIVISION

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In re : Chapter 9  
: Case No. 13-53846  
CITY OF DETROIT, MICHIGAN, :  
: Debtor. : Hon. Steven W. Rhodes  
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**EX PARTE MOTION OF THE OFFICIAL  
COMMITTEE OF RETIREES FOR AN ORDER  
AUTHORIZING IT TO FILE A REPLY BRIEF IN EXCESS OF PAGE LIMIT**

The Official Committee of Retirees (the “**Committee**”) hereby moves the Court for the entry of an order authorizing the Committee to file the *Reply Brief of the Official Committee of Retirees in Further Support of Objection to Motion for Temporary Allowance of Claim of the Macomb Interceptor Drain Drainage District Pursuant to Rule 3018(a)* (the “**Committee’s Reply**”) in excess of the page limitation of Rule 9014-1(e) of the Local Rules for the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Eastern District of Michigan (the “**Local Rule 9014-1(e)**”) to the extent that the limitation is applicable. In support of this motion, the Committee states as follows:

1. Local Rule 9014-1(e) sets forth that “[a] reply brief of not more than 5 (five) pages in length may be filed” for certain specified motions. Local Rule 9014-1(e).
2. The Committee does not believe that the page limitation set forth in Local Rule 9014-1(e) is applicable to the Committee’s Reply, but files this *Ex Parte* motion out of an abundance of caution.

3. The Committee's Reply is eight pages. Because the Committee responds to numerous issues of fact and law raised by the motion for temporary allowance of Macomb Interceptor Drain Drainage District, the Committee requires a modest number of additional pages.

4. To the extent that the Local Rule applies to the Committee's Reply, the Committee requests entry of an order expanding the applicable page limitation.

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**RELIEF REQUESTED**

WHEREFORE, the Committee respectfully requests that this Court (i) enter an order substantially in the form attached hereto as **Exhibit 1**, granting the relief sought herein; and (ii) grant such other and further relief to the Committee as the Court may deem proper.

Dated: July 16, 2014

New York, New York

Respectfully submitted,

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**EXHIBIT 1**

(Proposed Order)

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**EX PARTE ORDER AUTHORIZING THE OFFICIAL COMMITTEE  
OF RETIREES TO FILE A REPLY BRIEF IN EXCESS OF PAGE LIMIT**

This matter coming before the Court on the *Ex Parte Motion of the Official Committee of Retirees to File a Reply Brief in Excess of Page Limit* (the “**Motion**”) and the Court being fully advised in the premises;

**IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:**

1. The Motion is GRANTED.
2. The Official Committee of Retirees is authorized to file a *Reply Brief in Support of Objection to Motion for Temporary Allowance of Claim of the Macomb Interceptor Drain* *Drainage District Pursuant to Rule 3018(a)* in excess of five pages.

Signed on: \_\_\_\_\_

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Steven Rhodes  
United States Bankruptcy Judge